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| For | : | <i>Lactobacillus</i> Strains and Uses Therefor | | | |

RESPONSE TO SECOND ADVISORY ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Advisory Action mailed August 7, 2007.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

Replacement drawings follow.